



Response Under 37 CFR §1.116
Expedited Procedure - Group 2877

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

TOMOHIRO SUZUKI, et al.

Application No.: 09/764,049

Filed: January 19, 2001

For: FLUROMETRY AND
FLUROMETRIC DEVICE
AND SUBSTRATE
SUITABLE THEREFOR

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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

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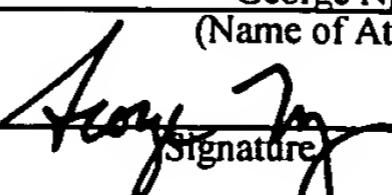
Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated June 19, 2003 for one month from September 19, 2003, to Monday, October 20, 2003.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$110.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

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